



## Glenn C. "Dick" Willmann

August 21, 1924 - May 14, 2014

Glenn C. "Dick" Willmann, age 89 of Highland, IL, died Wednesday, May 14, 2014, at Faith Countryside Homes/Faith Care Center in Highland, IL.

He was born on Thursday, August 21, 1924, in Highland, IL, the son of Urban H. and Dena H. (nee Strotheide) Willmann.

On Saturday, March 05, 1949, he married Evelyn M. Willmann (nee Gelly) who survives.

He was a member of Carpenter's Local #1535 (Past President); Highland Masonic Lodge #583 AF & AM (since 1952); former Highland City Council Member; Highland Country Club (Past President).

Mr. Willmann was born in Highland, the youngest of six children. He left high school early to help support his family and joined the Navy in 1943. He was a veteran of WWII, having served on the U.S.S. Honolulu. He received the Navy Unit Commendation from the Navy Department for "outstanding heroism in action against enemy Japanese forces during the Battle of Kula Gulf and Kolombangaro and operations at Palau and Leyte." He was discharged with six battle stars in 1946. In the late 1940's, he ran Dick's Sandwich Shop, which was located on the Highland Square. He also served as a Highland police officer at one time and served with the Highland City Council when

Highland's Silver Lake was proposed and constructed. He was a carpenter by trade and was a member of the Carpenters Union Local 1535 for over 60 years. After retirement, Dick enjoyed golf and collecting model trains, golf memorabilia, and going to auctions. He and his wife also attended and/or hosted many U.S.S. Honolulu annual reunions through 2011. He enjoyed the camaraderie of his fellow sailors for many years.

Survivors include:

Wife - Evelyn M. Willmann, Highland, IL

Daughter - Christy L. (Ronald) Naylor, Troy, IL

Son - Richard G. Willmann, St. Petersburg, FL

Grandchild - Rodney W. (Patti) Naylor, Springfield, IL

Grandchild - Michael A. (Susan) Naylor, Troy, IL

Grandchild - Zachary R. Willmann, St. Louis, MO

Great Grandchild - Reiss A. Naylor, Troy, IL

Great Grandchild - Jackson T. Naylor (Twin), Troy, IL

Great Grandchild - Jacob M. Naylor (Twin), Troy, IL

Great Grandchild - H. Wade Naylor, Springfield, IL

Great Grandchild - Peyton A. Naylor, Springfield, IL

Many Nieces and Nephews.

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Urban Hamilton Willmann (died 6/1957)

Mother - Dena Helen Willmann, nee Strotheide (died 9/28/1990)

Brother - Orin H. Willmann (died 9/28/1992)

Brother - Raymond G. Willmann (died 5/14/1993)

Sister - Sylvia F. Bloemker (died 6/25/2006)

Sister - Ruth S. Nagel-Twin (died 12/6/2010)

Sister - Ruby M. Essenpreis-Twin (died 3/7/2013)

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in

Highland, Illinois.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Saturday, May 17, 2014, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Masonic Service will be at 10:00 AM on Saturday, May 17, 2014, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL, by the Highland Masonic Lodge #583 AF & AM, Highland, IL.

Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM on Saturday, May 17, 2014, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL, with Rev. Christopher W. Hill, Senior Pastor, officiating.

Interment will be at Highland City Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital; St. Louis Children's Hospital; Louis Latzer Memorial Public Library.

# Cemetery Details

## Highland City Cemetery

12301 Koepfli Lane  
Highland, IL 62249

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

MAY 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - Highland  
1501 9th Street  
P.O. Box 187  
Highland, IL 62249  
(618) 654-2133  
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